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3,946,166	TRACKING ARRANGEMENT	3/23/1976
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4,917,484	HIGH-PERFORMANCE DYNAMIC MOUNT FOR LASER-BEAM STEERING MIRROR AND ACTUATING MOTOR THEREFOR	4/17/1990
4,973,145	FLEXURE MECHANISM	11/27/1990
5,110,195	HIGH BANDWIDTH STEERING MIRROR	5/5/1992
5,268,784	PIVOTABLE MIRROR DEVICE FOR TRACKING	12/7/1993
5,529,277	SUSPENSION SYSTEM HAVING TWO DEGREES OF ROTATIONAL FREEDOM	6/25/1996

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